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## DARKE COUNTY MAN SENTENCED TO EIGHT MONTHS IMPRISONMENT FOR FAILURE TO REGISTER AS SEX OFFENDER

DAYTON, OHIO— Zachary Lee Alder, age 21, of Bradford was sentenced to eight months imprisonment for failing to register pursuant to the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act.

Gregory G. Lockhart, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio, and James M. Wahlrab, United States Marshal for the Southern District of Ohio, announced the sentence delivered Monday by United States District Judge Thomas M. Rose.

According to the statement of facts filed with Alder's plea agreement, Alder was convicted of Unlawful Sexual Conduct with a Minor in Darke County, Ohio in January, 2007, requiring him to register as a sexual offender. Alder informed the Randolph County, Indiana Sheriff's Office of his intentions to reside at a particular address in Indiana in February, 2007. Law enforcement officials checked for verification of the Indiana residence in June, 2007 and learned that Alder had moved to another residence in Ohio. At no time did Alder inform the Randolph County Sheriff's Office of his recent moves within the State of Indiana or of his move to the State of Ohio. At no time did Alder register as a sex offender in Ohio.

Alder was arrested following his January, 2008 indictment and has been in custody since his arrest. Alder will serve a term of 15 years on supervised release at the conclusion of his prison sentence.

"Failure to register under the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act is a serious criminal offense," Lockhart said. "Law enforcement agencies across the country will continue to coordinate their efforts to seek out and punish all who fail to register as sex offenders wherever they may reside."

Lockhart commended the U.S. Marshals deputies who conducted the investigation and Assistant U.S. Attorney Laura Clemmens, who prosecuted the case.